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## 18 March 2005

Dear Mr. Clark:

During its meeting of 17 March 2005, the Commission reviewed and approved the concept (S.L. 05-042) for a new twelve-story office building at 401 3rd Street, SW. While the massing is imaginative for such a difficult site, the Commission encourages reconsideration of the roof-top structures with regard to the angled form directed toward the Capitol and the trellis structure. The use of quality materials is supported and strongly encouraged with the continued development of the project.

The Commission looks forward to further review as the project develops. As always, the staff is available should you require guidance.

Sincerely,

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